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By his Excellency Thomas Cushing, Esqr.
Capt.-General. Governor and Commander in Chief in and
over the State of Vermont

A PROCLAMATION

Whereas. the General Court of the commonwealth of Massa-
- chusetts. by their act of the fourth of February instant. declared
that a horrid and wicked rebellion did exist in said common-
- wealth. and that Daniel Shays of Pelham. and Luke Day
of West Springfield. in the County of Hampshire. Adam
Wheeler of Hubbardston, in the county Worcester. and
Eli Parsons. of Adams. in the county of Berkshire. were
the principal aiders and abettors of said rebellion. and
there being great reason to fear that some citizens of this
State who duckl regard and adjoining the said Commonw-
- ealth may incautiously and unadvisedly give aid to
the promoters and abettors of the said rebellion. and thereby
violate the duty they owe Law and good government.
I have therefore thought fit. by and with advice of Council.
and at the request of the General Assembly. to issue this Proclam-
- mation. strictly commanding and enjoining it upon all
the citizens of this State. not to harbour, entertain. or conceal
the said Daniel Shays. Luke Day. Adam Wheeler. and
Eli Parsons. And I do hereby require all and every the
justices of the Peace within this State. to issue their warrants
when required. to apprehend and convey the aforesaid
persons. or either of them. to the commonwealth of Massachusetts,
there to be delivered to some civil or military Officer.
authorized to receive them. And all the citizens of this State
are absolutely. and most solemnly forbidden to take
arms in support of. or to engage in the service. or
contribute to the relief. of the abettors and promoters of the
said rebellion. by furnishing them with arms
ammunition. or otherwise. as they will answer it at their
peril -

Given

Given under my hand. in Council. Bennington. this
24th day of February AD 1794. and the eleventh year
of the Independence of this State

Thomas Chittenden

By His Excellency's command

Joseph Fay Secretary

GOD. SAVE. THE. HOOKLE